(b) Severe line capacity constraints on Arsikere-Hassan and Sakleshpur-Subramanya Road ghat sections.

(c) Daily.

(d) The train will have stoppages at Tumkur, Tiptur, Asrikere, Hassan, Sakleshpur, Subramanya Road, Kabakaputtur, Bantawala and Kankanadi.

Accidents at railway crossings

903. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of railway crossings in the country, manned/unmanned;

(b) the total number of accidents at railway crossings, during last 3 years, category-wise;

(c) the details of the passengers and others, killed/injured, category-wise;

(d) the compensation paid thereto; and

(e) the roadmap for converting unmanned to manned crossings to minimize accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) As on 01.04.2007, there were 16,778 manned and 17,966 unmanned level crossings (excluding 'D' class cattle crossing and canal crossings) in the country.

(b) and (c) The total number of accidents at railway crossings and details of passengers and others killed/injured during last three years are as under:

Year	Number of accidents		Number of persons injured/killed	
	Manned	Unmanned	Injured	Killed
2004-05	05	65	412	236
2005-06	10	65	627	315
2006-07	7	72	402	208

(d) During the 2004-05 to 2006-07, Railways paid under-mentioned compensation to those injured/killed in level crossing accidents:

(i) Compensation paid to those injured-Rs. 20.02 lakhs.

(ii) Compensation to those killed-Rs. 126.33 lakhs.

(e) Unmanned level crossings qualifying Railways' laid down criteria are manned at Railways' cost. As on 01.04.2007, there wered 632 such unmanned level crossings. Out of this, 152 unmanned level crossings have been manned till January, 2008.